

STATEMENT OF REASONS
WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION
CHAPTER 44

REGULATION FOR ISSUANCE OF LICENSES, PERMITS, STAMPS, TAGS,
PREFERENCE POINTS, COMPETITIVE RAFFLE CHANCES AND COUPONS

W.S. § 23-1-302 empowers the Commission to prescribe the requirements and form, including electronic licensing format, for the licenses, stamps and tags provided in the Game and Fish Act. This statute also allows for the Commission to establish by rule and regulation, a process by which big game, trophy game and wild bison licenses may be issued by a competitive raffle.

Section 2, Section 25, Section 26 and the title of this regulation are being modified to include competitive raffle chances as provided for in statute.

Section 3, Definitions. The definitions of Limited Quota Drawing, Pioneer Licenses and Pioneer Heritage Licenses are being modified for clarity.

Section 14. Language has been added to include pioneer wild turkey licenses.

Section 15, Donation of Big Game Licenses to Disabled Veterans. This Section has been modified to allow for donated licenses to be reissued to a disabled veteran or a disabled person who is permanently confined to a wheelchair. License donors may also designate a non-profit charitable organization that shall select and sponsor a disabled hunter recipient. This new statutory provision is a result of HEA No. 36 and went into effect February 25, 2015.

Section 20, Application Dates. Edits have been made for landowner antelope, deer and elk applications, preference point only applications and wild bison applications.

Section 23, Applicant Disqualification. Edits have been made to indicate that a person shall be disqualified from participating in drawings if they submit more than one (1) application for wild bison unless authorized by Commission regulation.

Section 24, Suspension or Revocation of License. The revision date for Chapter 54, Home State Suspension Procedures for the Wildlife Violator Compact, has been amended to reflect an updated version of this regulation.

Minor grammatical and formatting edits have been incorporated into this regulation but does not change the intent of the regulation.